

## **BEGINNING OF REVIEW**

A Certificate of Need application has been submitted to the Department of Health on behalf of Renal Care Group Northwest under the provisions of Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 70.38. This application proposes to add six in-center dialysis stations to the IN-RCG Omak Dialysis facility, in Okanogan County. The capital expenditure associated with this project is \$700,000.

The Certificate of Need Program will not convene a public hearing regarding this proposal unless requested. To request a public hearing, the request must be submitted in writing and received by regular or overnight mail at the Certificate of Need Program, Department of Health, 310 Israel Road, Post Office Box 47852, Olympia, Washington 98504-7852 by 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 18, 2007. The request must include the name, address, and signature of the person making the request. **Faxed requests will not be accepted.** If a public hearing is scheduled, the hearing notice will be published in The Chronicle at least 15 days prior to the date of the hearing.

If no public hearing is held, all data, comments, or arguments regarding the application must be submitted in writing and received by regular or overnight mail at the Certificate of Need Program by Wednesday, February 7, 2007. **Faxed comments will not be accepted.** If no public hearing is held, the department's review of the project should be completed on April 9, 2007.

If you have any questions or would like a copy of the application, please call Randall Huyck with the Certificate of Need Program at (360) 236-2958.